

NAAE Offers Benefits to Help You Succeed Professionally

How NAAE Membership Helps You Succeed

Since 1948, NAAE has provided **leadership opportunities, service and advocacy** for agricultural education professionals.

NAAE seeks to advance agricultural education and promote the professional interests and growth of agriculture teachers as well as recruit and prepare students who have a desire to teach agriculture. Membership benefits assist members in growing professionally and in becoming more effective agriculture educators.

Anyone interested in agricultural education is eligible to join the National Association of Agricultural Educators (NAAE). NAAE's general membership categories are designed to meet member needs.

The chart on the back shows the resources and services available in each membership category.



The NAAE mission is...

"Professionals providing agricultural education for the global community through visionary leadership, advocacy and service."

Opportunities

NAAE Networks

The NAAE is a federation of state agricultural educators' associations with approximately 8,000 members. State, regional and national conferences allow you to network with peers who share concerns and expertise. These events provide camaraderie and fellowship along with professional development opportunities.

Awards and Recognition Programs

NAAE develops professional pride by recognizing members who conduct outstanding agricultural education programs. Members can apply for state and national recognition in the following areas:

- *Outstanding Young Member*
- *Outstanding Agricultural Education Teacher*
- *Outstanding Agricultural Education Program*
- *Outstanding Postsecondary Adult Program*
- *Outstanding Middle/Secondary School Program*
- *Teacher Mentor*
- *Teachers Turn the Key*

NAAE also recognizes innovative teaching ideas through the Ideas Unlimited Program.

Individuals and organizations that make outstanding contributions to the organization and the agricultural education profession are recognized through the Outstanding Service Citation, Lifetime Achievement Award and the Outstanding Cooperation Award.

NAAE State Associations by Region



Advocacy

Legislative Action Center

NAAE provides web-based access to the U.S. Congress, and information on government affairs affecting agricultural education. NAAE also assists in developing priorities and strategies to influence federal legislation and appropriations. NAAE has representatives on several national organization boards to represent its members' interests and concerns.

Service

Grassroots Leadership

The organization's governing body consists of a board of directors with a president, president elect and six regional vice presidents who are all educators elected by their peers.

News & Views

This national newsletter keeps you updated on news and trends in agricultural education, resources, legislative advocacy and NAAE activities and events.

Professional Development

Workshops held at the NAAE convention and throughout the year provide information, an exchange of ideas and knowledge building experiences in agriscience and agribusiness education.

Curriculum Materials and Online Resources

NAAE offers paper and electronic versions of curriculum materials and modules. NAAE's website (www.naae.org) features legislative and workshop updates, links to hot resources and state association sites, and access to a listing of agriculture teaching positions available throughout the United States.

Snapshot of NAAE Membership Categories

| | Active and Active Life Membership | Associate and Associate Life Membership | Student Membership | Retired Membership | Organizational Membership |
|---|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| College scholarships | | | ● | | |
| Professional/liability insurance coverage | ● | | ● | | |
| Low group rates for professional/liability insurance upgrades | ● | | ● | | |
| Instructional materials and online resources | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Teaching positions listing | ● | ● | ● | ● | |
| Savings/access to professional conferences and workshops | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| GEICO auto insurance discounts | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Additional insurance discounts | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| Toll-free access to NAAE | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| MBNA America™ Bank Affinity Card Program | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| NAAE quarterly newsletter, News & Views | ● | ● | ● | ● | ● |
| One 1/4-page space in the NAAE quarterly newsletter | | | | | ● |
| Copies of NAAE quarterly newsletter mailed directly to individuals of choice or in bulk | | | | | ● |
| Recognition on NAAE website, with a link to your organization's website | | | | | ● |
| One complimentary NAAE convention registration fee | | | | | ● |
| Access to all-member mailings | | | | | ● |
| Recognition in NAAE Annual Report | | | | | ● |

Promoting Student and Teacher Success

NAAE strongly encourages you to join both the NAAE and your respective state agricultural educators association. In most cases, state association officials collect dues from individual educators and forward national dues on to the NAAE. Contact NAAE or your state agricultural education staff to find out how to join your state (and national) agricultural educators association. If your state does not have an organized association, you may remit your dues payment along with your name and address directly to NAAE.

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